Anne Arundel - 738
John Wesley United Methodist Church (Site)
Gambrills,MD 21054

1868, 1948

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Although nothing remains of the original Wesley Chapel the site is of interest to historians. The land was originally given for the purpose of building a chapel for freedmen in 1868. Mary Baldwin gave the land. The Baldwin Family is well known in the history of Anne Arundel County. This family also supplied the Methodist Conference with land for Baldwin Memorial Church and a Methodist meeting ground.

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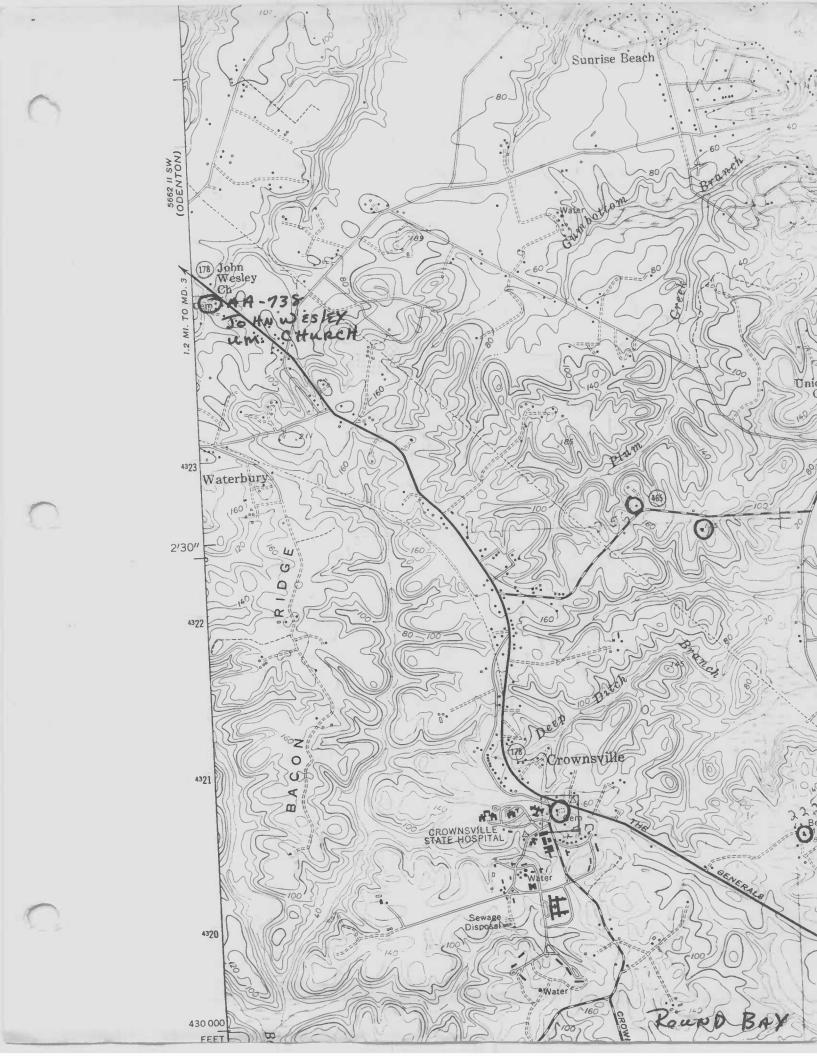
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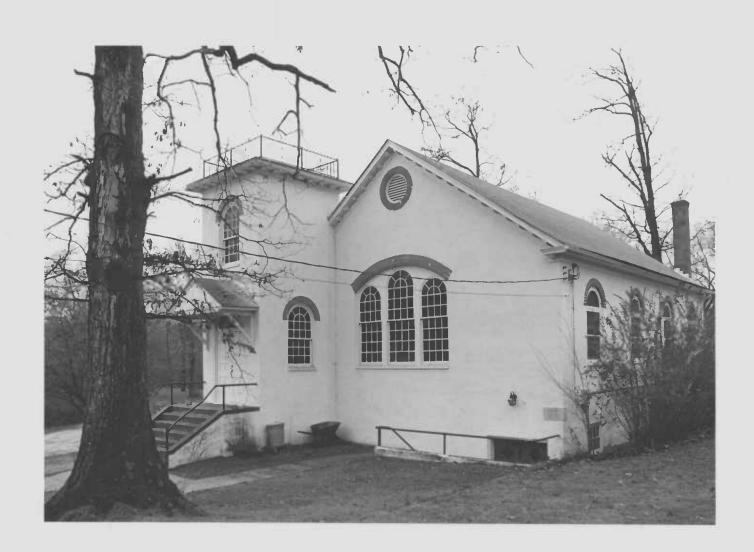
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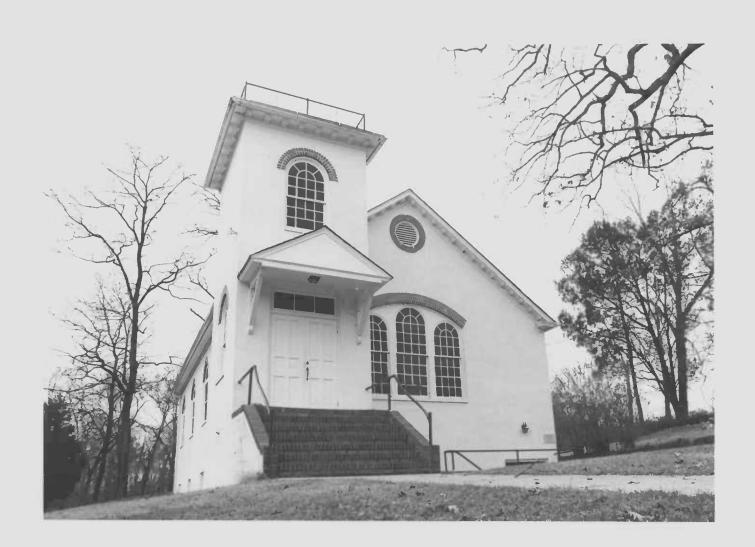




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